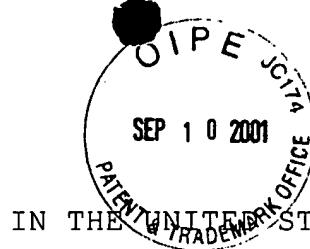


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In re Application of)
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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Under the provisions of § 1.136(a), applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated April 10, 2001 for two months from July 10, 2001 to September 10, 2001. Enclosed is a check for \$390.00 to cover the cost of the extension.

Also, if any additional payment is required, please charge the cost thereof to deposit account no. 02-2135. An extra copy of this letter is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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